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June 1954

FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-30-68

W A S M 10-22-79
Call letters X W K A J-FM

Station location Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
12866

Name of licensee COMMUNITY RADIO OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK, INC.

Transmitter location 71 West Avenue, Saratoga Springs, New York (PH-9-19-67)

12866
Main studio location Same as Transmitter

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BPH-5735 HAAT: 74' Cond'1	9-19-67	102.3mc. ERP: 3kw Unl. ch# 272 TPO: 930watts			11-19-67 5-19-68
BPH-5735 (1)	11-28-67	Mod. of CP(BPH-5735) to assign call letters W K A J-FM.			
BMPH-9985 (2)	5-14-68	MP(BPH-5735) ext. time to			10-19-68
BLH-4048(L)	8-30-68	Lic.(BPH-5735, as mod.) for new FM sta. specify type trans.			6-1-69
BRH-2231(S)	5-22-69	Renewal			6-1-72
NDEA	2-19-70				
EBSA	5-25-72				
BRH-2231	5-31-72	(short) REN. OF LICENSE			6-1-75
BRH-2231(S)	5-28-75	Renewal of License			6-1-78
BRH-2231(L)	6-12-78	RENEWAL			6-1-81
EBSA	10-22-79	chg. call			

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W K A J-FM
Letters ~~NEW FM~~

Name COMMUNITY RADIO OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK, INC.
SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK (PO c/o Kent E. Jones, 71 West Ave., Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action 12866)	
			Nature	Date
BPH-5735 R & F	2-17-67 2-20-67	CP for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Freq.: 102.3mcs, Ch.#272 ERP: 3kw Type trans.: Gates FM-1G TPO: .933kw Type ant.: Gates FMA-5A, 5 sections HAAT: 74.3 feet Trans. loc.: 71 West Avenue, Saratoga Springs, New York Studio loc.: Same as Trans. loc. Dow, Lohnes and Albertson, Attys. (Alfred C. Cordon, Jr.)	GRANTED Cond'l submit 302's for WKAJ (AM).	9-19-67

CONTACT: Kent E. Jones

PHONE: Code 518; 584-1610

ADDRESS: 71 West Avenue

Saratoga Springs, New York

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WKAJ-FM

Name COMMUNITY RADIO OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK, INC.
Saratoga Springs, New York

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-9985 R. & F. #420649 \$30. APR 30 1968	4-10-68 4-12-68 4-12-68	MP(BPH-5735) for extension of completion date from 5-19-68 to 10-19-68. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson(B. Dwight Perry)	GRANTED to	5-14-68 10-19-68
BLH-4048 R & F #429104 \$30 PT Amended AUG 23 1968	5/9/68 5/16/68 5/16/68 5/27/68 8/19/68	License (BPH-5735 as mod.) for new FM station, specify type trans. GATES FM-1H. Atty: Al Cordon Engr: Wm. R. Bingham, So. Glen Falls, N.Y. Re coordinates	GRANTED	8-30-68
BRH-2231 R & F #494531 \$75 stamped on AM Press MAR 5 1969	2-21-69 2-26-69	Renewal of license Atty- B. Dwight Perry (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	5-22-69

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FM
W A S M
Call Letters **x WKAJ-FM**

Name **COMMUNITY RADIO OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK, INC.**
SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-2231 R & F PN Rec'd. PRESS MAR 20 1972	2-15-72 3-3-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Suzanne Meyer, Atty	GRANTED	5-31-72
BRH-2231 R & F P. N. Rec'd Press	1-20-75 2-3-75 2-3-75	Renewal of License. Atty: Suzanne Meyer	GRANTED	5-28-75
BRH-2231 R & F PRESS MAR 8 1978 FEB 22 1978	1-12-78 2-1-78	AMENDED: 2-20-75 Updated Balance Sheet. RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	6-12-78

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

FM

Call Letters: WASH

Name: COMMUNITY RADIO OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK, INC.

Station Location: SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRH810130UJ PRESS MAR 1 6 1981		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty B. Dwight Perry	GRANTED 5-29-81

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

